21 November 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: AD/DCI/IC

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SUBJECT

KIQs/KEP

REFERENCES

- A. Interim KIQ/KEP Status Report, dated 11 October 1974
- B. MFR, subject Meeting with DCI Concerning KIQ/KEP Process, dated 25 October 1974
- C. 31 October 1974 Meeting with D/NIO concerning KIQ/KEP Process
- D. SIGINT Committee Memoranda dated 11 and 18 November, Subject FY 75 KIQ Strategy Reports
- 1. Background. Reference A summarizes community progress in assessing its performance on the FY 74 KEP pilot program and in developing collection and production strategies for the FY 75 KIQs. Reference B documented the sense of a discussion involving the DCI, D/NIO and D/DCI/IC concerning the objectives, structure, and work status of the KIQ/KEP process. The meeting concluded with an agreement by the D/NIO and the D/DCI/IC to complete the FY 74 pilot program, expedite the completion of FY 75 KIQ strategies now largely finished, and upon completion of these two activities, to work out the details of the FY 75 KEP. Reference C, not documented, is understood to have resulted in a commitment by the D/NIO to provide the remaining six outstanding FY 74 pilot program assessments, and three "fuzzy" evaluations by 15 November and to complete all FY 75 KIQ strategies before Thanksgiving. Reference D, two SIGINT Committee memoranda,

of KEP collection strategies which pertain to SIGINT matters.

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These memoranda, recognizing "that all requirements cannot be satisfied without some adjustments in SIGINT resources", request committee members to provide impact statements of the effect of KIQ requirements on outstanding tasking.

- 2. As of the date of this memorandum, only one of the six outstanding FY 74 pilot program assessments, and none of the promised "fuzzy" performance evaluations have been received.
- 3. NIOs have distributed, through the USIB mechanism, collection and analyses/production strategies for 61 of the 70 FY 75 KIQs--21 on the 23rd of October, 20 more on 29 October and an additional 20 on 14 November.
- 4. With five months of FY 75 already gone, and in light of Reference D, it is essential that the FY 74 pilot program assessments be completed YESTERDAY so that the community can be told what to do with the strategies (and how to do it), both being necessary if there is to be a credible evaluation program in FY 75.
- 5. Accordingly, it is suggested that the urgent need for the remaining FY 74 performance assessments be brought to DCI's attention at the earliest practical opportunity.

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